

# Education and Workforce Development Cabinet

## Jobless rates up in 108 counties from June 2007 to June 2008

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**EDITOR'S NOTE:** June's preliminary and May's revised county unemployment rate charts are posted at <http://workforce.ky.gov/June08charts.pdf>. Acrobat Reader is required to view charts. To download Acrobat Reader, please see the end of this news release.

FRANKFORT, Ky. — Unemployment rates rose in 108 Kentucky counties between June 2007 and June 2008, fell in 10 counties and stayed the same in two counties, according to the Kentucky Office of Employment and Training, an agency of the Kentucky Education and Workforce Development Cabinet.

Woodford County recorded the lowest jobless rate in the commonwealth at 5 percent. Other counties with low unemployment rates were Fayette County, 5.2 percent; Henderson County, 5.3 percent; Boone County, 5.4 percent; Jessamine and Robertson counties, 5.6 percent each; Shelby County, 5.7 percent; and Anderson, Bourbon, Daviess, Kenton, Madison, Scott, Warren and Webster counties, 5.8 percent each.

Magoffin County recorded the state's highest unemployment rate — 11.8 percent. It was followed by Jackson County, 11 percent; Clay County, 10.4 percent; Wolfe County, 10.3 percent; Bell, Elliott and Morgan counties, 10.1 percent each; McCreary County, 9.9 percent; Harlan County, 9.7 percent; and Grayson County, 9.6 percent.

Unemployment statistics are based on estimates and are compiled to measure trends rather than actually to count people working. Civilian labor force statistics include non-military workers and unemployed Kentuckians who are actively seeking work. They do not include unemployed Kentuckians who have not looked for employment within the past four weeks. The statistics in this news release are not seasonally adjusted to allow for comparisons between United States, state and county figures.

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